

Windham Economic Development Committee (WEDC)  
Approved Minutes  
December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Members Present: Ralph Valentine, Lisa Walker, Bob Higgins, Donna Morris, Al Letizio, Gary Garfield, Ed Gallagher, Bruce Richardson, Paul Gosselin

Staff Present: Laura Scott

Members Absent: Mike Oldenburg, Bruce Breton, Joel Desilets.

7:40 AM call to order by Chairman Ed Gallagher. Led with Pledge of Allegiance  
Formal introductions made by members.

Motion made by A. Letizio seconded by D. Morris to as amended to accept the meeting minutes of 07/10/15. Motion passed 7-0-2.

Motion made by A. Letizio seconded by D. Morris to amend the minutes to include the last name of Robert Walker. Motion passed 7-0-2.

Infrastructure 07/29/15: Minutes amended to exclude Bob Higgins as he was not present. Motion made by L.Walker seconded by G. Garfield. Motion passed 7-0-2

Land use: 09/9/15 Motion made by Bruce Richardson seconded by R.Valentine to accept  
Motion passed. 2-0

Communication Committee update:

B.Higgins- articles in publications to educate public topics are

- 1) Lower tax bills
- 2) Impact of new commercial development
- 3) March warrant article

General public invited to participate on subcommittees without being a member of WEDC.

Tim Pitcher Windham Resident and stake holder on Route 111 Village District. Updated committee on plans to "connectivity to the community". Combine developers and Pennichuck to bring water to the area.

Infrastructure update

R.Valentine- Extension of waterline out of design and into RFP stage

2016 anticipated install from Braemar Woods to Exit 3.

G.Garfield added that the DES wants Merrimack River to be source of all water in surrounding areas.

Master Plan

P.Gosselin-Funding for consultant. Planning board debate as to classification of cost. C.I.P or budget item. A. Letizio commented should not be listed as a C.I.P item. R.Valentine suggested that WEDC support move of expense to budget item. The options for planning board to consider are.

1. C.I.P
2. Stand alone warrant

### 3. Write into budget

Motion made by R. Valentine to provide letter of support to Planning Board to move to budget item seconded by G.Garfield. Motion carried 8-0-1.

#### Land use

A.Letizio for M. Oldenburg. Rezoning of old Police Department Building. Goal is to integrate parcels and rezone. Planning Board has sole discretion.

#### Liaison reports:

-Route 111 Beautification project. Welcome to Windham Signs.

-Reconsider recommendation of sale of London Bridge Parcel. WEDC not wanting to set precedent in residential matters. Not role of committee.

Motion made by R.Valentine seconded by P.Gosselin 8-0-1.

P.Gosselin –“note of record. Take notice or post no opinion on matter of residential.

Motion Made by A. Letizio to reconsider reconsidering motion to not support action on residential parcels. Motion carried 8-0-1.

#### TRC- R. Valentine

Support Roger's

Watch residential for both uses.

Add Lisa Walker as assistant on committee

#### Greater Salem Chamber of Commerce –D. Morris

Profile page on Windham

2016 Calendar BAH/Windham

Eliminate/minimize conflict of events in the area

#### Strategic Plan

No board review since 2014.

#### Removal of member.

Motion made by B.Higgins, seconded by R.Valentine to reach out to B.Breton “lacking further action from Mr. Breton the WEDC will submit to the planning board removal of his name from WEDC. Motion carried 8-0-1.

Motion made by E.Gallagher seconded by R.Valentine to adjourn.

All in favor. Adjourned at 9:23. AM.

Submitted by Lisa Walker